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SOVIETS MAY BE USING 'DUST' IN U.S.

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WASHINGTON — The
"spy dust" allegedly used
to track American diplo-
mats in Moscow may also
have been used by Soviet
agents in the U.S., a con-
gressman said yesterday.

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"There are indications
it has been used outside
of Moscow, in the U.S.,"
said Rep. Dan Mica (D-
Fla.), chairman of the
House Foreign Affairs
International Opera-
tions subcommittee.

At a news conference
following a briefing by
State Dept. officials, Mica
said he was told the
chemical also may have
been used at the British
and West German em-
bassies in Moscow.

A source at the State
Dept., however, said he
had no idea where Mica
got his information.

The "spy dust" chemi-
cal, nitro phenyl pentadi-
ene aldehyde (NPPD), is
transferred by touch and,
once on a diplomat's skin,
can be used to track him
and those he comes in
contact with.

NPPD also is a known
mutagen that causes
cellular change and pos-
sibly cancer.